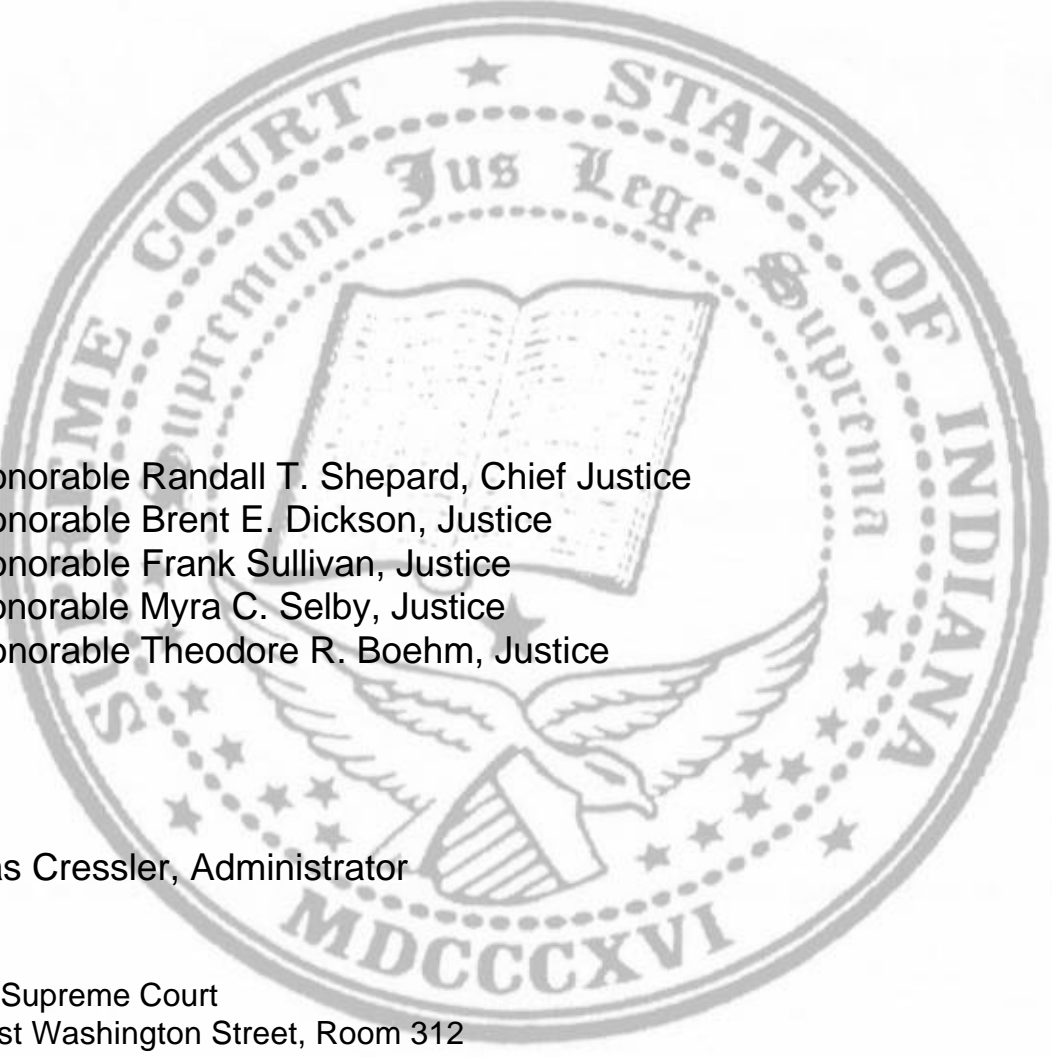


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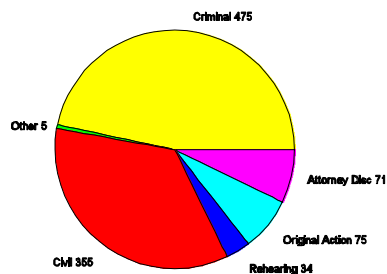
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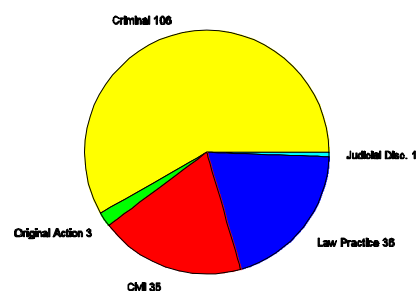
1998 Case Inventory and Disposition Summary

Category	Cases Pending as of 1/1/1998	Cases Transmitted in 1998	Cases Disposed in 1998	Cases Pending as of 12/31/1998
Civil Direct Appeals	2	0	1	1
Civil Transfers	125	338	345	118
Tax Court Petitions for Review	3	8	9	2
Criminal Direct Appeals	87	98	89	95
Criminal Transfers	28	384	386	26
Original Actions	3	72	75	0
Certified Questions	1	3	1	3
Mandate of Funds	1	0	1	0
Waiver of Parental Consent	0	0	0	0
Attorney Discipline	105	75	71	109
Petitions for Contempt	1	2	1	2
Petitions for Bar Review	1	0	1	0
Judicial Discipline	2	0	1	1
Rehearings	7	32	34	5
TOTAL	366	1011	1015	362

Cases Disposed: 1,015



Majority/Per Curiam Opinions



Supreme Court of Indiana Opinions and Orders

Justice	Majority Opinions	Concurring Opinions	Dissenting Opinions	Concurring & Dissenting Opinions
Shepard, C.J.	30	1	1	0
Dickson, J.	20	0	1	0
Sullivan, J.	29	1	3	1
Selby, J.	19	1	0	0
Boehm, J.	43	0	2	1
By the Court	40			
TOTAL	181	3	7	2

Criminal Direct Appeals	89	2	2	1
Civil Direct Appeals	1	0	0	0
TOTAL	90	2	2	1

	Rehearing Dispositions		Capital Cases						
			Opinions			Successive PCR		Rehearing	Other
	Opinion	Order	Direct Appeals	PCR	Rehearing	Opinion	Order	Orders	
Shepard, C.J.	0	7	0	1	0	0	0	4	0
Dickson, J.	1	6	0	1	0	0	0	2	0
Sullivan, J.	0	7	0	4	0	0	0	5	0
Selby, J.	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Boehm, J.	0	6	1	1	0	0	0	2	0
By the Court	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	2	32	1	7	0	0	0	15	0

Supreme Court of Indiana Caseload Statistics

Action on Writs of Mandate and/or Prohibition	
Denied by Order	8
Granted by Order	3
Opinions	3
Dismissed by Order	61
TOTAL	75

Judicial Discipline Matter	
Per Curiam Opinions	1
Other Dispositions	0
TOTAL	1

Disciplinary Cases Pending 1/1/98	
For Hearing Officer Appointment	7
Pending Before Hearing Officer	64
Briefing Stage	7
Briefed/Resign. or Cond. Agmt Tendered	26
No Verified Complaint Filed/ Suspended Upon Notice of Conviction	1
Administrative Admonitions Tendered	0
TOTAL	105

New Disciplinary Matters Rec'd (1998)	
Administrative Admonitions Tendered	11
Other Petitions and Notices ³	64
TOTAL	75

Review of Actions by Board of Law Examiners	
Petitions Denied	10
Petitions Granted	0
Miscellaneous Orders	12
TOTAL	22

Extension of Time and Miscellaneous Orders	
Petitions for Time Extension	292
Other Miscellaneous Orders	381
Special Judge Requests	165
TOTAL	838

Disciplinary Cases Disposed in 1998	
Per Curiam Opinion ¹	33
Per Curiam Opinion - Private Reprimand	1
Order - Private Reprimand	10
Order - Accepting Resignation ²	11
Order - Dismissal	2
Judgment for Respondent	0
Order - Reciprocal Sanction	2
Administrative Admonition	11
Order - Extending Suspension	0
Order - Finding No Disability	0
Rejection of Administrative Admonition	1
TOTAL	71

Certified Questions	
Federal District Court - Accepted	1
Federal Appellate Court - Accepted	2
TOTAL	3

¹ The Court issued one opinion resolving the Disciplinary Commission's objections to automatic reinstatement which is not included in this total.

² One order accepting resignation disposed of two cases pending against the same individual.

³ Includes Verified Complaints, Notices of Conviction, Petitions to Determine Disability, and Notices of Foreign Discipline Filed.

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Other Disciplinary Dispositions	
Order - Denying Reinstatement	7
Order - Granting Reinstatement	4
Order - Temporary Suspension	5
Order - Petitions to Reconsider/Modify/Stay	5
Order - Granting Objections to Reinstatement	1
Order - Lifting Suspension	1
Order - Petitions to Continue Proceeding	1
Order - Postponing Date of Suspension	1
Order - Other	2
Opinion - Resolving Objection to Reinstatmnt.	2
Total	29

Criminal Cases	
Opinions on Direct Appeals	89
Petitions to transfer granted & remanded	4
Opinions on Petitions to Transfer	17
Opinions on Rehearing	1
Orders on Rehearing	28
Petitions to Transfer Dismissed or Denied	365
Total	504

Original Actions	
Opinions Issued	3
Denied Without Opinion	8
Granted Without Opinion	3
Cancelled / Dismissed	61
TOTAL	75

Judicial Discipline Matters	
Per Curiam Opinions Issued	1
Rehearing Dispositions	0
TOTAL	1

Disciplinary Cases Pending 12/31/97	
Before Court - Hearing Officer Appointment	7
Pending Before a Hearing Officer	64
Briefing Stage	7
Before Court - Briefed/Cond. Agree./Resign.	26
No Verified Complaint	1
TOTAL	105

Petitions to Cite for Contempt	
Pending 1/1/98	1
New Matters Received	2
Disposed by Per Curiam Opinions	1
Pending 12/31/97	2

Civil Cases	
Opinions on Rehearing/Direct Appeals/Certified Questions	3
Orders on Rehearing	4
Opinions on Tax Court Petitions for Review	3
Opinions on Petitions to Transfer	30
Petitions to Transfer/Review Denied/Dismissed	319
Grant and Dismiss or Remand by Order	3
TOTAL	362

Disciplinary and Unauthorized Practice of Law	
Per Curiam Dispositions by Opinion	36
Dismissal of Complaint	2
Other Dispositions of Verified Complaints	33
Contempt Matters	1
TOTAL	72

Review of State Board of Law Examiners	
Petitions for Review of Bar Exams	1
TOTAL	1

TOTAL DISPOSITIONS FROM ALL CATEGORIES	1015
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Cases Pending As Of December 31, 1997

	Pending Cases as of December 31, 1997 (does not include Petitions for Rehearing)	Pending Petitions for Rehearing as of December 31, 1997
Shepard, C.J.	21	3
Dickson, J.	17	3
Sullivan, J.	29	0
Selby, J.	35	1
Boehm, J.	18	0
Unassigned Civil Cases	90	
Unassigned Tax Court Petitions for Review	3	
Unassigned Criminal Transfer Cases	19	
Unassigned Criminal Direct Appeals	12	
Unassigned Civil Direct Appeals	2	
Unassigned Original Actions	3	
Unassigned Certified Questions	1	
Unassigned Attorney Disciplinary Cases	105	
Pending Bar Examination Reviews	1	
Unassigned Judicial Discipline	2	
TOTAL	358	7